HELWIG DAVID S

Form 4

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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * HELWIG DAVID S			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol WELLPOINT INC [WLP]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (Middle)		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(
			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner			
120 MONUMENT CIRCLE		LE	12/06/2005	_X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)			
				EVP			
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line)			
INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46204				_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - No	on-D	erivative S	Securi	ties Ac	quired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transa Code (Instr.		4. Securitin(A) or Dis (D) (Instr. 3, 4)	sposed	of Securities Beneficially Owned Following		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	12/06/2005		G	V	27,052	D	\$ 0	127,618	I	Helwig Family Trust
Common Stock	12/09/2005		G	V	13,000	D	\$ 0	114,618	I	Helwig Family Trust
Common Stock								684	I	Held by son
Common Stock								454	I	Held by daughter
								7,458	I	

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Common Stock Stock Units held in 401(k)

Common 113,367.4444 D Stock

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if		5. onNumber	6. Date Exerc Expiration D	ate	7. Title	nt of	8. Price of Derivative	9. Nu Deriv
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of D : .:	(Month/Day/	Year)	Under		Security	Secui
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative			Securi		(Instr. 5)	Bene
	Derivative				Securities			(Instr.	3 and 4)		Owne
	Security				Acquired						Follo
					(A) or						Repo
					Disposed						Trans
					of (D)						(Instr
					(Instr. 3,						
					4, and 5)						
									Amount		
									or		
						Date	Expiration		Number		
						Exercisable Date		of			
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Keiationsnips					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
HELWIG DAVID S						

120 MONUMENT CIRCLE INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46204

EVP

Signatures

Nancy L. Purcell, 01/12/2006 Attorney-in-fact

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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